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Draft decision submitted by the Vice-President of the Council, Alyksandr Sychov (Belarus), on the basis of informal consultations

Programme of work for the humanitarian affairs segment of the 1999 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council

The Economic and Social Council decides that the programme of work of the humanitarian affairs segment shall be as follows:

Tuesday, 13 July

Afternoon session — Panel discussion with executive heads of the Inter-Agency Standing Committee on the theme of the segment, "International cooperation and coordinated responses to humanitarian emergencies, in particular in the transition from relief to rehabilitation, reconstruction and development"

Wednesday, 14 July

Morning session — Panel discussion on natural disasters, including hurricanes Mitch and Georges

Panel discussion on complex emergencies

Afternoon session — General discussion on the theme of the segment

Thursday, 15 July

Morning session — Continuation and conclusion of the general discussion

Afternoon session — Adoption of the outcome of the segment

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Draft resolution submitted by the President of the Council, Mr. F. Paolo Fulci (Italy), on the basis of informal consultations

Long-term programme of support for Haiti

The Economic and Social Council

1. *Recalls* paragraph 17 of the Economic and Social Council Agreed Conclusions 1998/1, in which the Council noted the need to develop, through a strategic framework, when appropriate, a comprehensive approach to countries in crisis, in which key aspects of durable recovery, peace-building, all human rights, sustained economic growth and sustainable development, in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences, are included.[1] The development of such a comprehensive approach must involve national authorities as well as the United Nations system, donors and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations. National authorities must take a leading role in all aspects of the recovery plan;

2. *Affirms* the leading role of the Government of Haiti in all aspects of the recovery plans for Haiti;

3. *Takes note* of paragraph 8 of Security Council resolution 1212 (1998) of 25 November 1998, in which the Economic and Social Council is invited to contribute to the elaboration of a long-term programme of support for Haiti, and of the exchange of letters between the Presidents of the Economic and Social Council and the Security Council;[2]

4. *Decides* to create an Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti, composed of representatives of five Economic and Social Council members, designated by the President of the Council on the basis of equitable geographical distribution and in consultation with regional groups and the Government of Haiti;

[1] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-third Session, Supplement No. 3* (A/53/3), chap. VII.
[2] E/1999/7–S/1999/170, of 18 February 1999 and E/1999/12–S/1999/403, of 9 April 1999.

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5. *Decides* that the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti should submit to the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 1999, for consideration, its recommendations on how to ensure that international community assistance to the efforts to support the Government of Haiti in achieving sustainable development is adequate, coherent, well coordinated and effective;

6. *Requests* the Group to ensure that the Government of Haiti is fully involved in its work;

7. *Encourages* other interested Member States, including in particular the Friends of Haiti, to contribute to the work of the Group, and requests the Group to consider ways and means to facilitate their doing so;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General and his Special Representative to Haiti, relevant United Nations funds and programmes and the specialized agencies, including the World Bank, to provide all necessary assistance to the Group;

9. *Invites* other relevant multilateral institutions, in particular the Inter-American Development Bank, regional organizations and bilateral donors, to cooperate fully with the Group.

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Substantive session of 1999
Geneva, 5–30 July 1999
Item 1 of the provisional agenda*
Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Proposed programme of work for the substantive session of 1999

(5–30 July 1999)

Date	*Programme*	*Documentation*
Week of 5–9 July		
Monday, 5 July		
10 a.m.	Opening of the session	
	Item 1 *Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters*	Annotated provisional agenda (E/1999/100 and Add.1) Proposed programme of work (E/1999/L.16) Status of documentation for the session (E/1999/L.17) Note by the Secretary-General on proposed themes for the high-level and coordination segments of the substantive session of 2000 of the Council (E/1999/__)
	High-level segment	
10.30 a.m. and 3 p.m.	*Item 2* *The role of employment and work in poverty eradication: the empowerment and advancement of women*	*World Economic and Social Survey, 1999* (E/1999/50)

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Date		*Programme*	*Documentation*
		Policy dialogue and discussion on important developments in the world economy and international economic cooperation with heads of multilateral financial and trade institutions of the United Nations system	Report of the Committee for Development Policy on its first session (E/1999/33)
Tuesday, 6 July			
9.30 a.m.–10.30 a.m.		Ceremony for the commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the Convention on the Rights of the Child	
10.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m.		Panel meeting on national policies and international cooperation for employment-oriented growth: impact on poverty reduction and gender equality	
12.30 p.m.–1.30 p.m. and 3 p.m.–6.30 p.m.	*Item 2* (continued)	*The role of employment and work in poverty eradication: the empowerment and advancement of women*	Report of the Secretary-General (E/1999/53) *World Economic and Social Survey, 1999* (E/1999/50) Note by the Secretary-General containing an executive summary of the *World Survey on the Role of Women in Development* (E/1999/44)
Wednesday, 7 July			
10 a.m. and 6 p.m.	*Item 2* (concluded)	*The role of employment and work in poverty eradication: the empowerment and advancement of women*	
	Operational activities segment		
Thursday, 8 July			
10 a.m. and 3 p.m.	*Item 3*	*Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation*	
	(a)	*Poverty eradication and capacity-building*	Report of the Secretary-General on poverty eradication, capacity-building, resources and funding, and the executive boards of the United Nations funds and programmes (E/1999/55)
		High-level meeting	Addendum: progress in the implementation of General Assembly resolution 53/192 (E/1999/55/Add.1)

Date	*Programme*	*Documentation*
		Addendum: comprehensive statistical data on operational activities for development for the year 1997 (E/1999/55/Add.2)
Friday, 9 July		
10 a.m. and 3 p.m.	*Item 3* (continued) *Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation*	
	(a) Poverty eradication and capacity-building	
	Informal dialogue with heads of agencies	
Week of 12–16 July		
Monday, 12 July		
10 a.m. and 3 p.m.	*Item 3* (continued) *Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation*	
	(b) Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly	
	Dialogue with country teams	
Tuesday, 13 July		
10 a.m.	*Item 3* (concluded) *Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation*	
	(c) Reports of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Children's Fund and the World Food Programme	Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund on its first regular session of 1999 (DP/1999/8) Decisions adopted by the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund on its second regular session of 1999 (DP/1999/14 and Corr.1) Decisions adopted by the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund on its 1999 annual session (DP/1999/__)

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		Annual reports of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and of the Executive Director of United Nations Population Fund to the Economic and Social Council (E/1999/47)
		Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on its first regular session of 1999 (E/1999/34 (Part I))
		Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on its 1999 annual session (E/1999/34 (Part II))
		Annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund to the Economic and Social Council (E/1999/9)
		Report of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme (E/1999/36)
		Annual report of the Executive Director of the World Food Programme to the Economic and Social Council (E/1999/__)
		Note by the Secretariat on change in the general regulations of the World Food Programme (E/1999/__)
	(d) Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries	Report of the High-level Committee on the Review of Technical Cooperation Among Developing Countries (A/54/39)
	Humanitarian affairs segment	
3 p.m.	*Item 5 Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance*	Report of the Secretary-General on the coordination of humanitarian emergency assistance of the United Nations and follow-up to agreed conclusions 1998/1 of the Council (A/54/__–E/1999__)
		Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to Djibouti (A/54/__–E/1999/__)
		Report of the Secretary-General on progress made in the relief, rehabilitation and reconstruction efforts of Antigua and Barbuda, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Haiti and Saint Kitts and Nevis (A/54/__–E/1999/__)
		Report of the Secretary-General on collaborative efforts to assist Belize, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and Panama and on the progress made with the relief, rehabilitation and reconstruction efforts of the affected countries (A/54/__–E/1999/__)

Date	*Programme*	*Documentation*
Wednesday, 14 July and Thursday, 15 July		
10 a.m. and 3 p.m.	*Item 5* (concluded) *Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance*	
	Coordination segment	
Friday, 16 July		
10 a.m. and 3 p.m.	*Item 4* *Coordination of the policies and activities of the specialized agencies and other bodies of the United Nations system related to the following theme: Development of Africa: implementation and coordinated follow-up by the United Nations system of initiatives on African development*	Report of the Secretary-General (E/1999/__)
	Introduction and general discussion	
Week of 19–23 July		
Monday, 19 July and Tuesday, 20 July		
10 a.m. and 3 p.m.	*Item 4* (concluded) *Coordination of the policies and activities of the specialized agencies and other bodies of the United Nations system related to the following theme: Development of Africa: implementation and coordinated follow-up by the United Nations system of initiatives on African development*	
	Conclusion of general discussion	
	General segment	
Wednesday, 21 July		
10 a.m. and 3 p.m.	*Item 10* *Regional cooperation*	Report of the Secretary-General, including the report of the Executive Secretaries on reform measures (E/1999/14)
	General discussion	Addendum: recommendations of the regional commissions (E/1999/14/Add.1)
		Summary of the economic survey of Europe, 1998 (E/1999/15)

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		Summary of the economic and social situation in Africa, 1998 (E/1999/16)
		Summary of the economic and social survey of Asia and the Pacific, 1999 (E/1999/17)
		Summary of the economic survey of Latin America and the Caribbean, 1998 (E/1999/18)
		Summary of the survey of economic and social developments in the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia region, 1998–1999 (E/1999/19)
		Note by the Secretary-General on the project for a Europe-Africa permanent link through the Strait of Gibraltar (E/1999/20)
		Letter dated 17 May 1999 from the Permanent Representative of Armenia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General transmitting the Yerevan Declaration on Decentralization, adopted at an international conference on the theme "Decentralization in Eastern and Central Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States: conditions of success" (Yerevan, 26–28 April 1999) (A/54/97–E/1999/52)
Thursday, 22 July		
10 a.m.	*Item 6 Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits*	Report of the Secretary-General on ways to enhance the integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits (E/1999__)
		Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the agreed conclusions of the Council at its substantive session of 1998 on coordinated follow-up to and implementation of the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action (E/1999/__)
		Report of the Secretary-General on possible modalities of a review by the Council in 2000 of progress made within the United Nations system on coordinated conference follow-up (E/1999/__)

Date	*Programme*	*Documentation*
		Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Commission on the Status of Women acting as the preparatory committee for the special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" (E/1999/__)
		Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Committee on World Food Security on progress in the implementation of the World Food Summit Plan of Action (E/1999/__)
3 p.m.	*Item 7 Coordination, programme and other questions*	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti (E/1999/__)
	(a) Reports of the coordination bodies	Annual overview report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination for 1998 (E/1999/48)
		Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/54/16)
	(b) Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000–2001	Relevant sections of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000–2001 (A/54/6)
		Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/54/16)
	(c) Joint and Co-sponsored United Nations Programme on Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (HIV/AIDS)	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Executive Director of the Programme (E/1999/__)
	(d) International cooperation in the field of informatics	Report of the Secretary-General (E/1999/__)
	(e) Calendar of conferences and meetings in the economic, social and related fields	Draft calendar of conferences and meetings (E/1999/L.__)
Friday, 23 July		
10 a.m.	*Item 13 Economic and environmental questions*	Note by the Secretary-General on assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions (E/1999/51)
		Letter dated 21 April 1999 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (E/1999/46)

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	(a) Sustainable development	Report of the Commission on Sustainable Development on its seventh session (E/1999/29)
		Report of the Committee for Development Policy on its first session (E/1999/33)
		Report of the Secretary-General on measures undertaken in the United Nations system to accelerate the implementation of Agenda 21 and the Programme of Action for the further implementation of Agenda 21 (A/54/__–E/1999/__)
	(b) Science and technology for development	Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its fourth session (E/1999/31)
	(c) Statistics	Report of the Statistical Commission on its thirtieth session (E/1999/24)
	(d) Human settlements	Report of the Commission on Human Settlements on its seventeenth session (A/54/8)
	(e) Environment	Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme (A/54/25)
		Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 53/185 entitled "International cooperation to reduce the impact of the El Niño phenomenon" (A/54/__–E/1999/__)
3 p.m.	*Item 13* (concluded) *Economic and environmental questions*	
	(f) Women in development	Note by the Secretary-General containing an executive summary of the *World Survey on the Role of Women in Development* (E/1999/44)
	(g) Transport of dangerous goods	Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (E/1999/43)
	(h) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction	Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/__–E/1999/__)
		Addendum: report of the Decade's Science and Technology Committee (A/54/__–E/1999/Add.1)
		Addendum: views of States on the Decade (A/54/__–E/1999/__/Add.2)

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		Report of the Secretary-General on recommendations on how the United Nations will deal with the reduction of natural disasters after the conclusion of the Decade (A/54/__–E/1999/__)
	(i) Population and development	Report of the Commission on Population and Development on its thirty-second session (E/1999/25)
	(j) International cooperation in tax matters	Report of the Secretary-General on progress in the work of the Ad Hoc Group of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters (E/1999/__)
	(k) Energy and natural resources for development	Report of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources for Development on its first session (E/1999/32)
Week of 26–30 July		
Monday, 26 July		
10 a.m.	*Item 9 Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations*	Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/__) Report of the President of the Council on consultations held with the Chairman of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (E/1999/__) Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people (A/54/__–E/1999/__)
	Item 11 Economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory, including Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan	Note by the Secretary-General (A/54/__–E/1999/__)
3 p.m.	*Item 8 Implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227 and 52/12 B*	Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/115–E/1999/59) Report of the Secretary-General on cooperation between the United Nations and the Bretton Woods institutions (E/1999/56) Report of the Secretary-General on the work of and examining the linkages between the functional commissions (E/1999/__)

Date	Programme	Documentation
Tuesday, 27 July		
10 a.m.	*Item 14 Social and human rights questions*	
	(a) Advancement of women	Report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its forty-third session (E/1999/27)
		Report of the Board of Trustees of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women on its nineteenth session (E/1999/57)
		Report of the Secretary-General on the follow-up to and implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action (E/1999/54)
		Report of the Director of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (E/1999/__)
		Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 52/93 on the improvement of the situation of women in rural areas (A/54/__–E/1999/__)
		Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (A/54/38 (Part I))
	(b) Social development	Report of the Commission for Social Development on its thirty-seventh session (E/1999/26)
		Report of the Secretary-General on effective ways and means for achieving the goal of education for all (A/54/__–E/1999/__)
		Letter dated 11 February 1999 from the Permanent Representative of Senegal to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/54/66–E/1999/6)
	(c) Crime prevention and criminal justice	Report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its eighth session (E/1999/30)
		Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 52/86 on crime prevention and criminal justice measures to eliminate violence against women (A/54/69–E/1999/8)

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	(d) Narcotic drugs	Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its forty-second session (E/1999/28) Report of the International Narcotics Control Board (E/1999/__)
	(e) United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees	Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (E/1999/21)
3 p.m.	*Item 14 Social and human rights questions* (continued)	
	(f) Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Third Decade to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination	Report of the Secretary-General (E/1999/61) Relevant chapter of the report of the Commission on Human Rights containing proposals on the World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia (E/1999/__)
	(g) Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People	
	(h) Human rights	Extracts from the report of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (E/1999/L.__) Report of the Commission on Human Rights on its fifty-fifth session (E/1999/23) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (E/1999/__) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the general comments of the Human Rights Committee (E/1999/__) Letter dated 5 May 1999 from the Secretary-General of the United Nations to the President of the Economic and Social Council transmitting an advisory opinion requested by the Council from the International Court of Justice (E/1999/49)
Wednesday, 28 July 10 a.m.	*Item 14 Social and human rights questions* (concluded)	
Wednesday, 28 July 3 p.m.	*Item 12 Non-governmental organizations*	Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 1999 session (E/1999/__)

Date	*Programme*	*Documentation*
Thursday, 29 July	To be determined	
Friday, 30 July		
10 a.m.	Action on all outstanding draft proposals	
3 p.m.	Conclusion of the work of the substantive session of 1999	